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BookFest! of the Palm Beaches
The Morikami Museum and The Palm Beach Post

request the pleasure of your company at a reception
to celebrate the publication of

The Tokaido Road by Lucia St. Clair Robson

*Friday, March twenty-second
four o'clock until six o'clock PM
at*

*The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens
4000 Morikami Park Road
Delray Beach, Florida*

Free bus transportation from the Palm Springs Library is available. Bus leaves the library at 3:00 PM and also picks up at Lakeside Village Recreation Hall. The bus will return before 7:00 PM. Reserve seats on the bus by calling the library at 965-2204. The library is located at 217 Cypress Lane, Palm Springs.

No. of reservations @ \$10.00 _____
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I regret I am unable to attend, but I wish to make a contribution.
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4000 Morikami Park Road
Delray Beach, FL 33446
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Morikami Invitations Those beautiful invitations to the reception at the Morikami Museum were designed by Holly Cunningham, a freelance artist formerly of The Palm Beach Post. We wanted to know what the characters in the illustration said. A patron of the Palm Springs Library says the writing is in Chinese and Japanese characters, and talks about flowers that make you happy and lift your spirits.



Calling All Detectives! The Friends of the West Palm Beach Library will host a Mystery Party at the library Saturday, April 13, at 6:00 PM. Participants will have to solve a mystery acted out by members of **The Little Palm Theatre**. Refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$15, and can be reserved by sending a check to The Friends of the Library, West Palm Beach Library, 100 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. For more information, please call 659-8054.

BookFest Welcomes New Board Members Shirley Collins, Children's Coordinator for the Palm Beach County Library System, is now Co-Chair of the Physical Arrangements Committee. Anne Mojo, Assistant Director, West Palm Beach Public Library, now co-chairs the Outreach Committee. Annette Gove, Media Specialist at Gove School in Belle Glade, chairs the Children's Committee, and Sue Richman, cataloger at the Florida Atlantic University Library, chairs the Volunteers Committee.

Donated Tee-Shirts Sell Out! Thanks to Barry Freedman, owner of the **Lake Worth Beach Tee-Shirt Company** for his donation of six-dozen **BookFest** tee shirts. The white shirts with the aqua logo sold out very quickly! More will be available for sale at BookFest events.

President's Message

BookFest is off and running, sometimes too fast for its planners! This is PBCLA's biggest undertaking ever. Membership is at a new high, 149 individual members, thanks in part to BookFest.

PBCLA needs your help, starting with, of course, money. The Miami Book Fair began with a \$50,000 grant; BookFest began with offers of start-up money from several area libraries. Now there is a recession, and these libraries face shortfalls in funding. At press time the war news looked hopeful, but overall we could not have picked a worse year to launch such a big project.

The good news is, we are closing in on the rent. The South Florida Fairgrounds will work with us on this. BookFest committee chairs have done an outstanding job of booking wonderful vendors, authors, and entertainment on a budget of zero dollars. After we pay the rent, our second priority is to pay authors. If a miracle happens, we can pay entertainers as well, and any profits from BookFest will be used to fund next year's event and to benefit the Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition.

People who work in libraries are traditionally underpaid, yet I ask you, our members, to make personal donations to BookFest. We need to see members' names on the donor list. Your gift need not be big--skip a lunch or, or better yet, a dinner, and send BookFest a check. Give more if you can.

We need your time, too--not just library time, but your time. Sign up as a volunteer. Bring your friends, neighbors, and Aunt Minnie to BookFest and while you're there, patronize our vendors. Do your gift shopping for the year at BookFest--there are just 275 shopping days till Hanukkah, 299 till Christmas!

In library literature a debate rages over whether librarians are true professionals. One measure is giving money and time to professional organizations. These contributions help the profession, its individual members, and the community at large. PBCLA membership is a bargain at \$5.00, and what other organization offers a project like BookFest? It will increase the status of library workers locally, statewide, and even at the national level. Both librarians and support staff are actively involved in BookFest, but we need you, too!

One other tradition is worth mentioning: the annual PBCLA social. This year we have three: the Morikami party March 22, the Barbecue March 24, and BookFest itself--a three-day party for PBCLA members. Join your colleagues at the opening ceremony at noon Friday, April 19. Or stop by for a beer, good food, and fun later that evening. Remember our theme: Read, Succeed, and Celebrate!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angelica Carpenter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Angelica" on the top line and "Carpenter" on the bottom line.

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*a/k/a Trish MacGregor

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Good Times at the Barbecue!

Palm Springs VFW Post 4360 will hold a barbecue and bake sale benefiting **BookFest** Sunday, March 24, from 1:00 until 6:00 PM. Chicken half, baked beans, cole slaw and beverages will be served: eat in or take out. VFW Post 4360 is located off Cypress Lane and Alemeda Drive (east of the Village complex) in Palm Springs. Are you renowned for your baked goods, or even handy with a box of Duncan Hines cake mix? Bring along an item for the bake sale! **BookFest** book bags and T-shirts will also be on sale at \$10.00 each. This is going to be a great day, so come out and show your support for **BookFest**! Many thanks to VFW Post 4360 for their generosity!

BookFest! Barbecue

Please send me _____ tickets @ \$5.00 = \$_____

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